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I obtained my Associate Degree in Nursing in 1993 from George Wallace College, School of nursing, in Selma, AL. I immediately went to work in the hospital on a cardiac care step-down unit and gradually progressed to the cardiac intensive care unit and open-heart floor. I began employment in the home health arena in 1995 as a field staff nurse while continuing to work in the cardiac areas at the hospital. My passion soon became home health and I have continued in that area. I have been with Amedisys Home Health since 1995, progressing from field staff nurse to case manager, on to clinical manager then Manager of Clinical Practice. In 2003 I took on the position of episode manager and have just recently been promoted to Assistant Director of Episode Management. I obtained Certified OASIS Specialist this past year. My main focus is on education of agency staff, developing new programs and processes to assist the clinicians as well as improve patient involvement, ensure data integrity, help bring new acquisitions into the company, provide guidance to agencies on management of patient episodes to ensure each patient receives all services needed and be a general resource to all of our agencies in 16 states. Home Health is an ever-changing field and I thrive on change and challenges so it is a great fit for me.